

REMARKS

By the present communication, Applicants request cancellation of claims 1-5, 7 and 9 without prejudice to limit the claims to the Group III invention pursuant to the Restriction Requirement imposed herein in the copending parent application, Serial No. 09/005,286, filed January 9, 1998. Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance in the parent application for the subject matter corresponding to canceled claims 7 and 9 herein.

In addition, pages 1 through 12 of the SEQUENCE LISTING are submitted herewith containing Sequences 1 through 39, formatted in accordance with the conventions set forth by FastSEQ Version 4.0. In addition, the amendments to page 47 of the specification are submitted herewith to correct an inadvertent error in the sequence identification numbers for SEQ ID NO:33, SEQ ID NO:34 and SEQ ID NO:35 and the amendments to page 61 of the specification are submitted herewith to provide sequence identification numbers for SEQ ID NO:36, SEQ ID NO:37 and SEQ ID NO:38 and SEQ ID NO:39. No new matter is introduced by these pages and amendments to the specification as they merely represent the sequences originally set forth in the application, in accordance with the conventions set forth by PatentIn2. Accordingly, entry of new pages 1 through 12 of the SEQUENCE LISTING, and amendment of pages 47 and 61 of the specification is respectfully requested.

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No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of this fee to Deposit Account No. 07-1895.

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